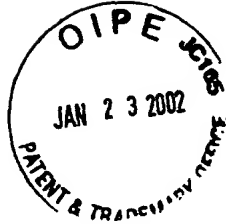


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Sir:

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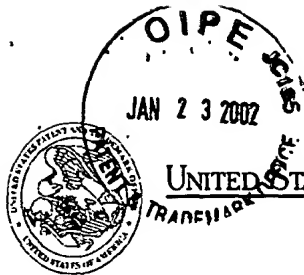


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The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees due in connection with the papers transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this response is enclosed.

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$280.
 - \$280 for multiple dependent claim surcharge.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
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